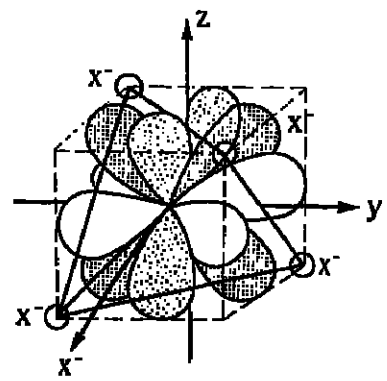


Mineral Physics News



The focal point for the mineral physics community. Editor Robert M. Hazen, Carnegie Institution of Washington, Geophysical Laboratory, 2801 Upton Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20008 (telephone: 202-906-0334).

What is Mineral Physics?

In the past the principal task of the mineralogist was simply to describe and classify physical, chemical, and structural properties of the remarkable variety of natural inorganic crystals. As this task was gradually accomplished for most species, however, mineralogists increasingly sought to identify physical and chemical principles that underlie mineral formation and behavior and procedures that might lead to predictions of stability and properties of phases deep within the earth. Mineral physics, which has evolved during the past 2 decades, is thus the study of mineralogical problems through the application of the principles of condensed-matter physics and chemistry.

Mineral physics bridges gaps among a number of disciplines. Mineral physics is closely linked with traditional earth-science fields, including solid-earth geophysics, geochemistry, crystallography, petrology, and crystal chemistry. Close ties also exist with topics in ceramics, materials science, physical chemistry, high-temperature and high-pressure research, and solid-state physics. The range of materials studied parallels the diversity of minerals themselves: elements, metal alloys, sulfides, halides, layer compounds, and zeolites, in addition to rock-forming oxides and silicates, have been the focus of much study. Experiments on minerals and their analog compounds have intensified as new industrial applications have been found in the manufacture of lasers, high-performance ceramics, molecular sieves, catalysts, and a wide variety of electronic components.

The methodology of modern mineralogy, both experimental and theoretical, reflects the new objectives of mineral physics. A major focus for many mineral physicists is the precise determination of the physical constants of minerals. Shock-wave and static compression experiments, coupled with measurements of thermal expansion and other properties, are used to calculate equations-of-state for minerals. Ultrasonic and Brillouin-scattering experiments yield the elastic moduli of crystals. Other researchers measure thermal conductivity, electrical conductivity, and magnetic properties of minerals.

In addition to well known neutron, X ray and optical microscopic methods of the mineralogist, mineral physicists have adopted a wide range of spectroscopic procedures that reveal aspects of the structure and composition of minerals. Mössbauer, optical, and nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy probe the atomic environment and electronic state of ions in crystals. Raman and infrared spectroscopy reveal the molecular and lattice vibrations of mineral crystals. Microprobes that employ beams of electrons, X rays, and ions have led to ever more precise and spatially resolved compositional determinations.

Our knowledge of mineral structures has

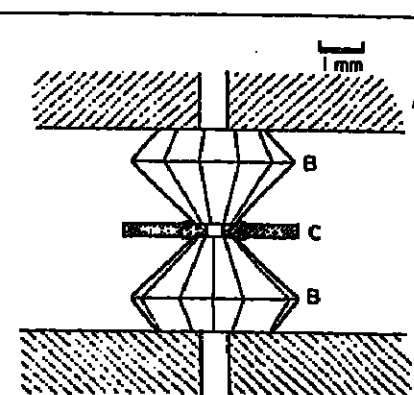


Fig. 1. The diamond anvil pressure cell is an important tool in mineral physics research. Static pressures up to 2.75 Mbars have been attained in studies of mineral properties.

been enhanced by the application of transmission electron microscopy, which has revealed nonperiodic aspects of crystals including defects and stacking disorder. Quantitative thermodynamic techniques, in particular a variety of calorimetric procedures, provide critical data on the internal energies of minerals. These experimental studies are complemented by computational quantum chemistry, which has led to predictions from first principles in a few simple cases of mineral structure, stability, and physical properties.

Concurrent with the application of these and other new mineralogical techniques has been the remarkable development of high-pressure and high-temperature apparatus for the measurement of mineral structures and properties at geologically-relevant conditions. Progress in diamond-anvil pressure cell technology (Figure 1) and applications of laser heating, in particular, have become major efforts in the mineral physics community.

Underlying much of the mineral physics research is a growing awareness of the dependence of macroscopic properties—particularly those structural and transport properties that influence geophysical behavior—on atomic-level interactions. A major effort, therefore, is underway to understand interrelationships among mineral structure, bonding, physical properties, and stability. Such an understanding of minerals will inevitably lead to a more complete understanding of the structure and dynamics of the earth's interior.

Information Report

The Mineral Physics Committee

Mineral physics is a diverse field that includes the study of crystal structure, thermochemical properties, physical properties, equations of state, and phase equilibria of minerals and mineral analog compounds. All of these mineral parameters are interrelated, yet they have been traditionally studied and reported by members of different AGU sections. Equations of state and elastic constants are usually included in Tectonophysics, magnetic properties of minerals are often treated in Geomagnetism and Paleomagnetism, and crystal structure and phase equilibria routinely appear in sessions of Volcanology, Geochemistry, and Petrology. Other subjects of interest to the mineral physics community may be reported in Oceanography, Planetary, or Seismology. As a result, many closely related topics have been presented in conflicting sessions at AGU meetings. The extent of this problem was highlighted during the 1983 Spring AGU meeting, when at one point aspects of silicate mineralogy and petrology were discussed concurrently in seven different sessions sponsored by five different sections.

The AGU Executive Council approved the establishment of the AGU Committee on Mineral Physics in March 1983 and charged the Committee to "provide service to the AGU and to the mineral physics scientific community." President Van Allen approved the appointments of Orson Anderson as chairman, and members Peter Bell, Raymond Jeanloz, Robert Lieberman, Muriel Manghnan, Tom Shankland, Tom Ahrens, and Joseph Smith. The latter two members served ex officio as officers in the Tectonophysics and VGP sections, respectively.

The first meeting of the newly established Committee was held at Baltimore, Md., May 31, 1983, and subsequent meetings occurred at San Francisco, Calif., on December 7, 1983, and in Cincinnati, Ohio, on May 15, 1984. One of the Committee's first activities, in addition to coordinating meeting schedules, was to compile a list of mineral physics workers in order to identify the range of interest in mineral properties. This list rapidly expanded to more than 300 scientists in 20 countries, and it soon became evident that, just as mineral physics extends beyond the traditional bounds of any one AGU section, so also does it extend well beyond the scope of the earth sciences. Workers in ceramics, solid state chemistry, materials science, and theoretical physics are regular contributors of significant results with direct applications to geophysical problems, yet many of these results are not known to AGU members. An expanded role for the Mineral Physics Committee was thus proposed. In addition to the original task of coordinating related AGU meeting sessions and other activities, the Mineral Physics Committee now seeks to foster links among all the diverse elements that comprise the mineral physics community.

Committee activities thus include the organization of symposia, the development of a mineral physics monograph series, the active solicitation of mineral physics articles for AGU periodicals, and the distribution of a newsletter to the international list of researchers in mineral physics.

Under the chairmanship of Orson L. Anderson, Professor of Geophysics at the University of California, Los Angeles, several panels have been organized to undertake the activities of the Mineral Physics Committee. The AGU Sessions Program Panel (William Bassett, Charles Prewitt, David Kohlstedt, Charles Sammis, and Steven Kirby) is responsible for coordinating mineral physics abstracts in an effort to minimize conflicts between presentations of interest to the mineral physics community. As a first step it is recommended that contributors designate "Mineral Physics Session" on abstracts submitted to AGU meetings. This notation will ensure the inclusion of the paper in an appropriate session.

The Panel on Conferences and Publications (Alexandra Navrotsky, Donald Weidner, Tom Shankland, and Harvey Waff) has examined the possibility of a new AGU monograph series on aspects of mineral physics. It is anticipated that the first titles in this series will be announced shortly. The panel is also considering possible topics for Chapman conferences.

The Membership and Publicity Panel (Robert Hazen, Earl Graham, Sue Kieffer, and Leon Thompson) is charged with the task of developing and maintaining a mailing list and with communicating news of interest to the mineral physics community. A growing list, expanded to more than 500 scientists from 30 countries, has been prepared. Requests for sets of pre-gummed labels for appropriate mailings will be considered by the panel.

Newa will be communicated both through periodic "Mineral Physics News" sections of *Eos*, and through mailings to the entire list of mineral physicists, sponsored by a grant from the AGU Council. In this way, AGU will provide the much-needed headquarters for the diverse international mineral physics community.

The Panel on Long-Range Future of Mineral Physics (Orson Anderson, Peter Bell, Muriel Manghnan, and Joseph Smith) has reported on the prospect of augmented federal research funding in mineral physics. A National Research Council (NRC) Panel on the Solid Earth identified "physics and chemistry of earth materials" as one of "five research areas in which significant dividends can be expected as a result of incremental federal investment in FY 1985." Members of the panel will continue to seek opportunities to act in concert with NRC and agency officials to bolster the long-term future of mineral physics.

Other participants in the Mineral Physics Committee include the Nominations Panel (Roger Burns, Daniel Weill, and Hartmut Spetzler), Foreign Secretary (Robert Lieberman), Committee Secretary (J. Michael Brown), and AGU Section Liaisons to Tectonophysics (Tom Ahrens), to VGP (Joseph Smith), and to Geomagnetism and Paleomagnetism (Subir Banerjee). In addition to the original members of the Committee on Mineral Physics, two new members, Roger Burns and Alexandra Navrotsky, have been added.



Orson Anderson, Chairman

News & Announcements

Call for Mineral Physics Papers

The editors of *Geophysical Research Letters* (GRL) are attempting to increase submission rates in the fields of solid earth geophysics, and in particular in mineral physics. GRL, which is noted for its record of rapid publication, welcomes short, original articles of new results presented in a way that will make their significance apparent to the general geophysics community. Manuscripts should be sent to James C. G. Walker, Editor, *Geophysical Research Letters*, 2455 Hayward, Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

Mineral Physics News: Call for Contributions

Mineral Physics News will appear biannually in *Eos*. News, notes, reviews, or other material of general interest to AGU and the mineral physics community are welcome. Please send information to the editor of *Mineral Physics News*. The next edition of *Mineral Physics News* will be published in April 1985. The deadline for copy is February 28, 1985.

Meetings

Developments in High-Pressure and High-Temperature

The Mineral Physics Committee, Tectonophysics Section, and the VGP Section plan a special session for the Fall 1984 AGU meeting in memory of John C. Jamieson. The session will be devoted to recent advances in the areas in which John worked and will include an invited talk on his contributions to geophysics. Additional invited papers by Muriel Manghnan, William Bassett, Robert McQueen, and Buzz Graham, reviewing high-pressure crystallography, shock-wave work, and general high-pressure techniques, will complement the contributed papers. A special issue of the *Journal of Geophysical Research-Solid Earth* is being planned consisting of papers from this session. For further information contact Phil Halleck, 442 Dieke Building, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802 (telephone: 814-863-1878).

High-Resolution Electron Microscopy

As part of the celebration of the centennial of Arizona State University there will be a symposium on high-resolution transmission and analytical electron microscopy from January 7-11, 1985. The goals are to review and evaluate developments in theory, techniques, and application that have been made to the present; and to evaluate new research directions that will arise from the next generation of instruments and techniques that are now becoming available. For further information contact Centennial Symposium, Center for Solid State Science, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287.

Microscopic to Macroscopic

A short course will be held immediately prior to the Spring 1985 AGU meeting on relations among thermodynamics, lattice vibrations, coordination geometries, and bonding in minerals. Many aspects of mineral physics, including spectroscopy, crystal chemistry, thermochemistry, phase transitions, and bonding will be integrated in an effort to demonstrate the close correlations between atomic-scale and macroscopic properties of minerals. The Mineralogical Society of America short course is primarily pedagogic in nature, and it is planned to complement that emphasis with a series of research presentations at an all-day symposium of the same title at the 1985 Spring AGU meeting. For more information contact Susan W. Kieffer, U.S. Geological Survey, 2255 North Gemini Drive, Flagstaff, AZ 86001.

Quantum Theory and Experiment Applied to Solids

Planning is now underway on a 5-day symposium to review developments in the description of structure and bonding in perfect crystals. This conference, which is to be held May 1986 at the University of Maryland, College Park, is in some ways a sequel to the successful conference on Structure and Bonding in Crystals, which was held at Castle Hot Springs, Ariz., in 1980. Discussions will include experimental and theoretical aspects of small gas molecules relevant to understanding solids, defect solids and glasses, oxide surfaces, and solution and gel species important in natural waters. For information contact Jack Tossell, Department of Chemistry, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742.

Mineral Physics Symposia

There will be one or more mineral physics symposia at the next International Mineralogical Association (IMA) meeting, July 15-18, 1986. Anyone wishing to organize or participate in an IMA symposium should contact Larry Finger, Geophysical Laboratory, 2801 Upton St., N.W., Washington, DC 20008.

Do you know a colleague who would like to join AGU? Call 800-424-2488 and request membership applications.

Books

Proterozoic Geology

L. G. Medaris, Jr., C. W. Byers, D. M. Mickelson, and W. C. Shanks (eds.), *Mem. 161, Geological Society of America*, 315 pp., 1983, \$49.00.

Reviewed by P. K. Sims

This book and its companion, *Early Proterozoic Geology of the Great Lakes Region* (Mem. 160 Geological Society of America, 1984), edited by L. G. Medaris, Jr., are the products of an International Proterozoic symposium held at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, May 18-21, 1981. This volume contains 23 papers that present the current thinking of experts on many aspects of Proterozoic evolution of the earth: it is divided into five broad categories: tectonics, magmatism and metamorphism, mineral resources, evolution of life and the atmosphere, and glaciation.

The Proterozoic is a distinctive interval in the geologic history of the earth, encompassing the transition from Archean conditions to those of the Phanerozoic. By Early Proterozoic time, extensive stable continental plates existed, and deformation, deposition, and intrusion styles were comparable to those of today. Also, the amount of free oxygen in the atmosphere and hydrosphere continuously increased during the Proterozoic and eventually reached levels supportive of metazoan evolution.

The Early Proterozoic is characterized by thick epicratonic sedimentary sequences and oceanic-arc volcano-plutonic complexes, which are variably deformed. What tectonic processes were operative during this interval of time is a matter of controversy. The case for Wilson-cycle signatures analogous to modern plate tectonic regimes is presented by Brian Windley, who points to the well-exposed and well-documented Wopmay orogen in northwest Canada as an excellent example. In contrast, A. Kroner and A. J. Baer argue for ensialic orogens. The uniformitarian view

favors Wilson-cycle orogeny, but it is possible that Proterozoic mobile belts underlain by gneisses developed as a result of tectonic processes unique to the Proterozoic (and Archean)?

Oxidation of the atmosphere during the Proterozoic is recorded in the rocks by changes in the nature and type of sedimentation, mineral deposits, and life forms. The interrelation of Proterozoic life, air, water, and sediments through time is ably reviewed by P. E. Cloud. Proterozoic chemical sediments are depleted in ^{18}O with respect to Phanerozoic analogues, and E. C. Perry, Jr., and S. N. Ahmed propose that the sediments were precipitated from a Proterozoic ocean depleted in ^{18}O . Others have proposed that the depletion resulted from a hot Proterozoic ocean. As an example of the change in the types of mineral deposits with an evolving atmosphere, J. J. Langford discusses the differences between Early Proterozoic gold-uranium paleoplacers and the younger Proterozoic, high-grade unconformity-type concentrations. Extensive massive-sulfide deposits, which formed most abundantly in the Early Proterozoic, are described by C. H. Gale; and another important deposit type, sediment-hosted lead-zinc deposits, is reviewed by I. B. Lamber.

In a significant paper, S. R. Taylor and S. M. McLennan show that classic sedimentary rocks record the fundamental change in magma chemistry from relatively sodic Archean rocks to more potassic Proterozoic rocks. They demonstrate that rare-earth-element patterns are remarkably uniform in post-Archean sedimentary rocks and conclude that this reflects reworking of older crust. Another distinctive aspect of Proterozoic magmatism was the generation of anorogenic anorthosite, rapakivi granite, and ignimbrites in the interval 1,800-1,000 Ma. J. L. Anderson summarizes a large body of data on these igneous rocks and argues for an origin by fusion of lower crustal material in continental rift environments. F. J. Sawkins also empha-

sizes the importance of rifting to the formation of major Proterozoic ore deposit types. Glaciation was widespread at intervals during much of the Proterozoic, and both the evidence for glaciation (W. B. Harland) and the nature of the record (J. C. Crowell) are reviewed.

Two papers are based on paleomagnetic data. J. D. A. Piper reexamines the case for a Proterozoic supercontinent, and D. J. Dunlop and L. D. Schatts present several examples illustrating how paleomagnetists decipher magnetic overprints and use them to date and interpret tectonic events.

Readers who seek an overview of all major aspects of Proterozoic geology are likely to be disappointed. For example, papers are missing on orogenic granulite and volcanic rocks, and their significance in unraveling Proterozoic tectonic environments. This is a minor shortcoming, however, compared to the great value of the book. The authors and editors have succeeded in conveying the distinctive flavor of the Proterozoic. The book is well produced and nearly free of printing errors. It should be on the book shelf of all those interested in the earth's early geologic history.

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Conservation of Water and Related Land Resources

Peter E. Black, Praeger, New York, xx + 209 pp., 1982, \$28.95.

Reviewed by Lynton K. Caldwell

The author was quite clear about the purpose of this book and clearly achieved his intent. In his preface, the author states, "The purpose of this book is to acquaint the reader with a broad understanding of the topics relevant to the management of the nation's water and related land resources." The book is a product of the author's 20 years of work as a teacher, consultant, researcher, and student of watershed management and hydrology and has served as a text for a course entitled Soil and Water Conservation, which the author has taught at the State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse, New York. But it was also written with the intent to be of use "to informal students of water and land related resources on the national level as well."

The objectives of Black's course at Syracuse and its larger purpose define the scope of the book, which, again in the author's words, have been "(1) to acquaint students with principles of soil and water conservation; (2) to stimulate an appreciation for an integrated, comprehensive approach to land management; (3) to illustrate the influence of institutional, economic, and cultural forces on the practice of soil and water conservation; and (4) to provide information, methods, and techniques by which soil and water conservation measures are applied to land, as well as the basis for predicting and evaluating results." The book is written in a straightforward, non-technical language and strives to provide the reader with a set of references, a table of cases, a list of abbreviations, and an adequate index. It impresses this reviewer as a very well edited piece of work.

The contribution of this book to the literature of soil and water conservation appears to be precisely what its author intended. It is a very suitable book for introducing the reader to the basics of the subject. In seven chapters the author moves from consideration of the historical background of water and land use planning through a discussion of water law, the organizations at various governmental levels that are concerned with water resource policies, through a consideration of aspects of policy planning and pollution control, to a discussion of project evaluation. A sixth chapter, one of the longer, deals with projects and programs and is useful for a quick overview of how water projects come into being, although emphasis is on the technical and procedural aspects of program development and only marginally on their political origins. Finally, in a short final chapter the author comments on the concept of "conservation," analyzing its varied uses since the term was adopted by Theodore Roosevelt. All but this last short chapter are followed by summaries, which are of assistance to readers with no previous background in the subject.

This is not a book to which professionals in the field would turn to find the most recent information on the state of the art of land and water conservation or program evaluation. Nevertheless, it is up-to-date as of the time of its publication. It is a book written essentially for beginners, whether students in college or members of the general public, who would like to have some understanding of what the business of water management and conservation is all about.

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Deadline: April 1, 1985

Satellite Microwave Remote Sensing

Edited by T. D. Allen, Halsted, New York, 526 pp., 1983.

Reviewed by George H. Born

This book is a collection of papers that presents results of the analysis by European scientists of data from the Seasat mission. Seasat, launched in 1978, was the first satellite dedicated to microwave remote sensing of the oceans. The spacecraft carried a suite of four microwave sensors, including a radar altimeter, a synthetic aperture radar, a windfield scatterometer, and a scanning multi-channel microwave radiometer. These microwave sensors were supported by a visible and infrared radiometer.

Seasat operated for just over 100 days before its power system failed. In spite of its brief lifetime, the satellite returned a significant amount of unique data on the world's oceans. As evidenced by this book, the data are still under intense investigation by scientists around the world.

A year prior to the launch of Seasat, a group of European scientists submitted a joint proposal to NASA and NOAA for oceanographic, geodetic, and glaciological studies based on the use of Seasat data. The proposal was accepted, and this group became known as the Seasat Users Group of Europe (SURGE).

Almost 4 years after Seasat's launch, a meeting was held at the Royal Society, London, to present the results of the European research together with invited contributions from Canada and the United States. The results of this meeting are effectively summarized in the thirty papers comprising this book. The text is chiefly devoted to the analysis of Seasat data with a wrap-up paper describing plans for the European Space Agency Remote Sensing Satellite, ERS-1.

The 30 papers, each a chapter of the book, include an overview of the Seasat mission, two general papers on data acquisition and processing, two papers dealing with the scatterometer, 13 papers presenting results from the synthetic aperture radar, 10 papers related to the altimeter, and two papers summarizing scanning microwave radiometer results. Many of the papers deal with a comparison of Seasat measurements of winds and waves to those measured by surface ships and

Cover. The photograph shows the tidal bore in one of the channels through the mud flats at Turnagain Arm, Alaska. It was taken at 1400 LT on September 4, 1983, from a lookout near milepost 95 on the Seward Highway (some 52 km up the arm from Anchorage). Low tide at Anchorage was -0.2 m at 1120 LT and high tide was 8.8 m at 1730 LT. The elevation of the lookout was estimated to be about 100 m and its distance from the channel about 1 km. A 35 mm camera with a 120 mm focal length lens was used. The bow-shaped leading bore wave has an undular character (Froude number, $F = 1-1.7$ (cf. D. F. Lynch, Tidal bores, *Sci. Am.*, 247(4), 134-143, 1982) over most of the channel width, except near the banks where it is consistently breaking ($F = 4.5-8.0$) and along the banks where it is jetting forward ($F > 9.0$). Neglecting some nearshore interference effects, there appear to be three distinct wave trains following the leading wave: The central train has the greatest wavelength, and there are step decreases to the trains on both sides. The far and near wave trains can be seen to have different wavelengths because of counting waves from the leading one, the counts for far-center-near are 6-5-7, 11-9-13, 15-13-19, 7-17-26, and 7-21-33. This shows, perhaps, that there is a central, steep-sided channel set into an otherwise gently sloping bottom topography.

The step up from the bottom of this central channel to the slope would be less on the far side than on the near side. It is suggested that the wave trains were created by the leading wave in a similar way that a vessel creates and carries with it a stern wave train whose wavelength is a function of vessel speed and water depth. The lengths of the wave trains would be related to the group velocities of the waves. For a vessel in deep water the length of the wave train is (ideally) half the distance that the vessel has traveled (R. A. R. Tricker, *Bars, Breakers, Waves and Wakes: An Introduction to the Study of Waves on Water*, Elsevier, New York, 1965). Unfortunately, no measurements could be taken of the bottom topography, the currents, or the characteristics of the bore, and so it was not possible to apply the equations for a tidal bore developed by Tricker. Students of waves would no doubt find it challenging to concurrently take measurements of this tidal bore and to film it.

Acknowledgment: The opportunity to take photographs of the tidal bore occurred when the writer was a visitor at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. (Photo contributed by George Cresswell, CSIRO Division of Oceanography, Hobart, Tasmania, 7001, Australia.)

In general, these papers demonstrate that the Seasat sensors met or exceeded their measurement objectives. These include measuring oceanographic parameters such as wind speed and direction, sea surface temperature, sea surface topography, and wave height, length, and direction, as well as liquid and vapor water in the atmosphere.

Results of the Seasat mission have been instrumental in the European Space Agency's

plans to fly the ERS-1 satellite, whose mission is described in the volume's final chapter. Also, Seasat results weighed heavily in NASA's planning for the TOPEX project to fly a 2-cm precision altimeter to map ocean circulation late in the decade. The U.S. Navy plans to fly the GEOSAT spacecraft next spring carrying a Seasat-class altimeter to complete the job of high-resolution mapping of the marine geoid begun by Seasat. In 1989, the U.S. Navy plans to fly the Navy Remote Oceanographic Sensing System (NROSS) carrying a suite of sensors similar to

those aboard Seasat. Plans are underway in Japan and Canada to orbit, by the end of this decade, various microwave instruments derived from those flown on Seasat.

The papers in this edition are well written, and several present new results. The volume represents a significant contribution to the science of microwave remote sensing and is an excellent complement to the two special issues of the *Journal of Geophysical Research* (vol. 87(C5), April 30, 1982, and vol. 88(C3), February 28, 1983) which have been devoted to results of the Seasat mission. Several of the

papers present analysis material tutorial in nature and not readily available elsewhere. With the dramatic increase in oceanographic microwave remote sensing scheduled for later in this decade, this book takes on significant additional importance and represents a worthwhile addition to the library of anyone having an interest in remote sensing of the oceans.

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University of California, Santa Barbara. Tenure track position in geophysics/astrophysics, available July 1, 1985. Salary and rank are dependent upon qualifications; however, preference will be given to the Assistant Professor level. The Geography Department seeks applications for a tenure-track position in Physical Oceanography and/or Air/Sea Interaction with an interest in Remote Sensing. Applicants must have a Ph.D., substantial qualifications in marine research, and a strong commitment to teaching and research. Submit resume and names of three references to: Chairman, Search Committee, Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106. Closing date: December 10, 1984. Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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American Museum of Natural History. The Department of Mineral Sciences is seeking to fill a tenure track position for Assistant Curator beginning July 1985. This is mainly a research position, but some time is needed for collections management

and departmental activities. High quality sample oriented research and publication is the prime responsibility. The field of specialization is mineralogy, broadly defined, and may include and combine aspects of petrology, mineralogy, mineralogy, mineral physics, X-ray crystallography, ultramicroscopy, crystal growth, spectroscopy or gemology. Major research facilities include a fully automated ARL-SEM electron microprobe, X-ray laboratory, microcomputer, and vast mineral and other collections. The opportunity exists for research and/or teaching collaboration with nearby institutions such as Columbia (Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory).

Requirements are a Ph.D. in hand by the time of appointment and an ability to carry out a research program. It is expected that some research support will be sought outside the Museum. Applications should include: (1) a curriculum vitae, (2) names of three persons familiar with your work, and (3) a statement of research interests and specific projects to be carried out within the next five years.

These must be submitted by November 15, 1984 to:

Martin Prinz
Chairman, Search Committee
Department of Mineral Sciences
American Museum of Natural History
New York, NY 10024

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Applied Geophysics/Bowling Green State University. The Department of Geology invites applications for a tenure track, assistant professor position in applied geophysics. Salary up to \$30,000; Ph.D. required. The successful candidate will be expected to teach and conduct research in some aspect of applied geophysics and teach courses in geophysics, exploration geophysics, and in his or her specialty. The Department has 11 full-time faculty. In addition, two faculty from the Physics Department participate in our geophysics program. Complete geophysical instrumentation, including a seismograph station and rock mechanics lab, are available.

Interested persons should send resume, statement of research interests, official transcripts, and three letters of reference to: Charles M. Utasch, Chairman, Search Committee, Department of Geology, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio 43403. The closing date is November 30, 1984. We will be interviewing at CSA in Reno, NV. We are an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Executive Director. Executive Director of newly established Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology (IRIS), a non-profit consortium of over 40 research universities. Initial duties include setting up Washington, D.C. office with associated financial and clerical services, conducting necessary contract negotiations with federal agencies and arrangements for extensive committee activities, and working with the managers of the various research programs. Under supervision of the President, the Executive Director is responsible for the overall management of the institution, including funding agencies and contractors in administering large scientific programs. The corporation anticipates a level of research exceeding \$20 million annually in five years, with a permanent office staff of up to ten. Candidates must be able to work independently, with little staff support in the first year, and have sufficient breadth and experience to establish an efficient, functioning corporate office. Applicants should submit resumes and names of at least three references to: IRIS, Inc., Department ED, 2000 Florida Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009.

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Meetings

Announcements

Water Demand

August 11-16, 1985 Water Demand: Sharing a Limited Resource—The 21st Annual Conference and Symposium of the American Water Resources Association, Tucson, Ariz. (Yoram Gordon, Greenhorn & O'Mara, Inc., 9001 Edmonston Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770; telephone: 301-982-2846.)

The deadline for abstracts, which should be submitted in triplicate and should not exceed 200 words, is November 15, 1984. Papers should discuss, evaluate, or present new and emerging technologies for and approaches to the management of water resources in light of the scarcity and limited availability of usable water in sections of the United States and many other parts of the world. The papers may relate to general application or to case studies of specific geographic areas. Among the topics to be addressed in conference sessions are strategic planning contributions to water resources problems; the identification, development, and management of new sources of water; the optimization of water allocation; water rights impact on water use; the conjunctive use of ground- and surface water, i.e., agricultural, domestic, and industrial; and the economic aspects of water utilization.

Water and Space

August 18-24, 1985 International Workshop on Hydrological Applications of Space Technology, Cocoa Beach, Fla. WMO, IAHS. (A. Ivan Johnson, 7474 Upham Court, Arvada, CO 80003.)

The deadline for abstracts (400-600 words) is November 30, 1984. The workshop program will emphasize offered and invited oral or poster papers related to the input of remote sensing and remote data transmission to hydrologic models and geographic information systems. Field trips to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's J. F. Kennedy Space Center and other points of interest are planned. An exhibit and demonstration of pertinent equipment, systems, and programs will be available, as well as a display of related books and periodicals.

Meeting Report

Incoherent Scatter Radar User Workshop

The incoherent scatter radar technique has developed over the years into one of the most powerful tools for investigating physical processes in the upper atmosphere. The National Science Foundation (NSF) now supports a chain of four incoherent scatter facilities at Sondrestrom (Greenland), Millstone Hill (Massachusetts), Arecibo (Puerto Rico), and Jicamarca (PERU). Six European nations support the EISCAT facility in northern Scandinavia, and France also has a radar at St. Santin. Recently, the organizations responsible for each of the six radars agreed to participate in a centralized data base being established at the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) to make their data more readily accessible to the scientific community at large.

The distribution of radars enables a number of scientific problems to be addressed involving global-scale phenomena. To facilitate the planning and development of coordinated studies using the radars, a workshop was held at SRI International in Arlington, on February 22-24, 1984. The workshop, attended by 50 scientists, was sponsored by the NCAR data base and by the Incoherent Scatter Working Group (ISWG) of the International Scientific Radio Union (URSI). Thanks to the careful preparations by the involved scientists, the workshop was very productive. It is likely to become an annual event.

Because the NCAR incoherent scatter data base is expected to become a major vehicle for developing coordinated studies, the first morning session was spent reviewing a draft report, edited by Vincent Wickwar of SRI International, describing the establishment and operation of the data base. This report originated from an earlier workshop held at NCAR in 1982, and has been elaborated to incorporate the agreements and recommendations of the scientific community made since then concerning operation of the data base. Data from recent incoherent scatter observing periods are expected to become available this summer, with older data being processed and entered into the data base over the next few years. Researchers interested in using these data are encouraged to contact Art Richmond (address and phone below) to help ensure that data of greatest interest become available on a convenient schedule.

The operation of the incoherent scatter radars has now become sufficiently routine that researchers can carry out experiments without having intimate knowledge of the equipment. Indeed, all interested researchers are strongly encouraged to propose scientifically sound experiments that will make good use of the radars. For the workshop, a representative from each radar prepared material describing its capabilities and the procedure for scheduling radar time. This material is being edited into a user guide by Richard Behnke of the NSF.

Most of the workshop was devoted to planning coordinated experiments for the next year and a half. Twelve studies were developed on topics in thermospheric, ionospheric, and magnetospheric physics. They were summarized on the final day in a presentation by Michael Kelley of Cornell University and are described briefly below. Based on these proposed studies, plans for the 1984 and 1985

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This program is a living memorial to Lloyd Berkner, whose devotion to the encouragement of young scientists and stimulation of international activities will long be remembered.

AGU members are encouraged to send names and addresses of such individuals to AGU so that applications and details can be forwarded. Applications and further details are available from:

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coordinated incoherent scatter observation schedules were developed in a session chaired by the URSI ISWG chairman, Murray Baron of EISCAT.

The thermospheric structure and dynamics was a topic of considerable interest at the workshop. The studies discussed concentrate on understanding and quantifying the complex global thermospheric response to variable energy inputs from the mesosphere below and from the sun and magnetosphere above. One major project, called the Global Thermospheric Mapping Study will look at this problem by collecting and analyzing simultaneous measurements from all six incoherent scatter radars, as well as from available satellites and from the international networks of Fabry-Perot interferometers, meteor-wind radars, MST radars, and partial-reflection-drift radars. Data will be available from all altitudes between 80 and 500 km, over a broad range of latitudes. Two observing periods of 3 days each around the solstices (June 26-28, 1984, and January 15-17, 1985) are currently planned. To incorporate the diverse data into a coherent global picture, and in order to interpret the variability in terms of the different energy sources, a combination of empirical and theoretical global models will be used to study effects related to global thermospheric and mesospheric circulation, atmospheric tides, thermospheric and ionospheric structure, and ionospheric wind dynamics.

The study is being coordinated by W. L. Oliver and J. E. Salah of MIT Haystack Observatory. Besides the Global Thermospheric Mapping Study, other projects were planned at the workshop for studying thermospheric dynamics under different conditions. For example, a campaign during the equinox of September 1984 is designed to examine the causes of reversals in north-south thermospheric circulation at mid-latitudes, as well as to detect wind dynamic effects associated with the circulation changes. A campaign is being planned to look for wind and temperature changes at Millstone Hill and Arecibo during the annular solar eclipse of May 30, 1984, and to compare these with model predictions. Previous data acquired from the mid-latitude radars will be used to study solar cycle variations of thermospheric tides. Another proposed project intends to examine the sources and global propagation of gravity waves in the thermosphere.

Ionospheric electrodynamics was also a major topic at the workshop. Examination of global electric fields at relatively high time resolution is part of a project called Global Incoherent Scatter Measurements of Substorms (GISMOS). One 3-day campaign involving all six radars was carried out in January 1984, and another is planned for an equinox period in 1985. Several other types of measurements are also being used in the study. A variety of satellites are observing the particle and field environment of the earth; coherent-scatter radars are measuring ions of ionospheric irregularities; magnetometer and riometer chains are giving data on ionospheric currents and energetic particle precipitation; and a chain of Fabry-Perot interferometers from Greenland to Brazil is providing information on the neutral thermospheric behavior. The primary objective is to understand how ionospheric electric fields behave at latitudes ranging from the polar cap to the magnetic equator during magnetospheric substorm events and how the fields are interrelated with other magnetospheric and thermospheric phenomena. In addition to the GISMOS campaigns, other coordinated electrodynamics observations are planned at the high-latitude incoherent-scatter stations to study high-latitude convection and magnetospheric cleft phenomena. A special experiment to try to measure large electric fields in the vicinity of the plasmasphere and to relate these to electric field behavior at other latitudes was also proposed.

Other coordinated studies developed at the workshop concern the photochemistry of the 85-100 km height region at different latitudes and ionosphere-protonosphere coupling at low latitudes, using simultaneous observations at Arecibo and Jicamarca. Studies involving only a single radar were not a primary focus of this workshop; however, a large number of single-radar experiments will continue to be carried out in the future as in the past.

For further information on the meeting, including copies of the data base report, the user guide, the coordinated project outlines, and the URSI ISWG minutes, contact A. D. Richmond at NCAR, P.O. Box 3000, Boulder, CO 80507 (telephone: 303-497-1488).

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